APPENDIX I.

[Vide answer to starred question No. 1993 asked by Dr. K. B. Menon at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 8th August 1955, page 680 supra.]

(*a*) Yes. A representation from the Secretary, Praja Socialist Party, Villiapally, was received by the Collector of Malabar in December 1954.

(*b*) The price of paddy is published by the Collector under section 50 (1) of the Malabar Tenancy Act, 1929, as amended by the Malabar Tenancy (Amendment) Act, 1954. As the Collector is to publish the average market price during the immediately preceding three months at the headquarters of each taluk, there is likely to be a slight variation between the price published by the Collector and the prevailing current market price. Before publishing the price, the Collector issues a notice inviting objections to the proposed price and considers the objections raised. There can thus be no cause for any valid complaint.

APPENDIX II.

[Vide answer to starred question No. 2001 asked by Sri K. Moidu at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 8th August 1955, page 686 supra.]

(*a*) *to* (*c*) The village officers are required to render all reasonable assistance to and co-operate with the officers of the other departments such as Police, Forests, Public Works, Veterinary, Income-tax, Postal and Public Health Departments, in their work and they are not entitled to any allowance on this account.

Under section 101 of the Madras Village Panchayats Act, 1950, the executive authority of the panchayat is authorized to call upon the village officers to furnish him with information in respect of such village or part thereof. The Government have ordered that the village headman shall be paid at 6¼ per cent of the gross collections made by him of taxes and fees due to the panchayats. Twenty-five per cent of the gross commission thus earned by the village headman should be disbursed to all the village servants of the village equally. The Government have also directed that the village officers should be paid travelling allowance, mileage and daily allowance for journeys performed by them in respect of land acquisition proceedings on behalf of private or local bodies and other departments of Government.